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You Are Invited for Music, Ice Cream, and Pies in the Beautiful Gardens of the Reddick Mansion

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During the Reddick Mansion Association's annual Ice Cream Social, homemade pies and cakes will be topped with vanilla ice cream and served with lemonade and cookies in the lush and beautiful gardens of the Mansion on Sunday, August 19th, from 2pm to 4pm.

While enjoying these treats, guests will hear this year's featured musical entertainment—violinist/fiddler Sarah Arter and guitarist Kevin Kramer. Both have previously performed at the Mansion during the Holiday Open House after the Festival of Lights Parade, the Friday after Thanksgiving.

Originally, from Peru, IL and currently living in Madison , WI, Sarah Arter began playing the violin at the age of 3 and has performed both classical and fiddle music ever since. A graduate of North Central College with a B.A. in music, she spent her junior year studying traditional Irish fiddle music at the Irish World Academy of Music in Limerick, Ireland. Sarah's repertoire includes classical violin music, Irish jigs, blue grass and blues.

Kevin Kramer, also from Peru, is a graduate of Columbia College in Chicago and writes, composes, and performs music for the guitar and the drums. Kevin's performance collection includes blues, contemporary, classic rock, and reggae. Kevin will soon be offering guitar and drum lessons at Music Suites 408 in the Westclox building in Peru.

Sarah and Kevin have performed together several times and are featured performers at this year's Maude Powell Arts Celebration in Peru.

The cost for the Ice Cream Social is \$5.00 for individuals, \$10.00 for families. All money raised will be used for the continued restoration and preservation of the Reddick Mansion.

For more information, please contact the Reddick Mansion at 815-433-6100.

The Reddick Mansion, built in 1858, is listed in the National Register of Historic Sites and is open to the public for tours. The building also has meeting/reception rooms available for rent for special events.